

REMARKS

The Continuity Statement of Pages 1 and 2 of the Specification is updated to reflect the current status of the Applications. On page 22, line 7, the reference numeral for the trip arm is changed from 202 to 206.

Independent Claim 1 is cancelled. New Claims 2-7 are added.

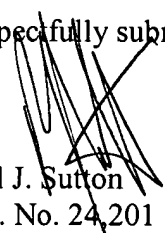
New Claim 2 avoids the Virani reference by reciting, in combination, the structure of a latching member coupled to swing from a pivot which moves with the reset button to engage and hold the contact arm in the unstressed position when the switch is in the tripped state. Claims 3-7 depend from claim 2 and, therefore, also avoid the reference cited. Support for the structure in Claim 2 is in the application.

It is our understanding that with this amendment the application is now in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for the amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1185 to Leviton Manufacturing Co., Inc.

In the event that an extension of time is required to make this Amendment timely filed, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 12-1185 of Leviton Manufacturing Co., Inc.

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